

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
INFORMAL CONFERENCE
AUGUST 23, 2013
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS
HENRICO, VIRGINIA**

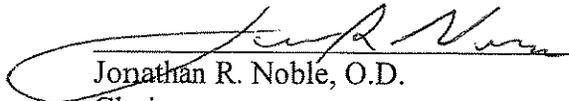
- TIME & PLACE:** The informal conference before a Special Conference Committee (SCC) was called to order at 1:05 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, 2nd Floor, Room 4, Henrico, Virginia.
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jonathan Noble, O.D.
Joseph Droter, O.D.
- STAFF PRESENT:** Leslie L. Knachel, M.P.H., Executive Director
Peter Opper, Administrative Proceedings Division
Carol Stamey, Operations Manager
Tamara Farmer, Administrative Assistant
- MATTER SCHEDULED:** **Amir Abyaneh, O.D., 0618001936**
Case No.: 149949
- DISCUSSION:** Dr. Abyaneh appeared before the SCC in accordance with a Notice of Informal Conference dated July 15, 2013. Dr. Abyaneh was present and represented by Tom O'Brien, Esquire. The SCC fully discussed the allegations in the notice with Dr. Abyaneh.
- CLOSED SESSION:** On properly seconded motion by Dr. Droter, the SCC recessed Open Session and convened in Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the Code of Virginia (Code) for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding **Amir Abyaneh, O.D.** Additionally, it was moved that Mr. Opper and Ms. Knachel attend the closed session because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the SCC in its deliberations.
- OPEN SESSION:** Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the SCC reconvened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION:

Based on the investigative report and discussion of the case with Dr. Abyaneh, the SCC moved to accept Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and voted to issue an Order placing his license on INDEFINITE PROBATION for a period of not less than one year and subject to terms and conditions.

ADJOURNMENT:

The conference adjourned at 3:05 p.m.


Jonathan R. Noble, O.D.
Chair


Leslie L. Knachel, M.P.H.
Executive Director